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REMARKS

Applicants respectfully request entry of this Preliminary Amendment prior to the first Official Action and prior to calculating the fees for the application.

Applicants respectfully request consideration and allowance of claims 1-36.

The Director is authorized to charge any fee deficiency required by this paper or credit any overpayment to deposit account No. 23-1123.

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**MARKED-UP VERSION OF REPLACEMENT PARAGRAPHS**

Replacement paragraph for the paragraph beginning at page 1, line 4 and ending at page 1, line 17:

This application claims the benefit of earlier-filed co-pending provisional applications: 60/269,921 entitled CONTINUOUS EMISSIONS MONITORING SYSTEM FOR DIESEL GENERATORS, filed February 19, 2001; 60/270,429 entitled WEB-BASED MICRO POWERPLANT MONITOR AND CONTROL, filed February 21, 2001; 60/272,924 entitled WEB-BASED MICRO POWERPLANT MONITOR AND CONTROL, filed March 2, 2001; 60/276,158 entitled CENTRALIZED DISPATCH SYSTEM FOR BACK-UP POWER SYSTEM, filed March 15, 2001; and ~~60/229,291~~ 60/299,291 entitled POWER GENERATING MONITORING, CONTROL AND EFFICIENCY, filed June 19, 2001. All of the above applications are fully incorporated herein by reference.